

ON BASE

FEBRUARY

Annual Awards Banquet, supported by a myriad of base organizations and community sponsors, recognizes the accomplishments of nominees for airman, noncommissioned officer, first sergeant and company-grade officer of the year. The event is traditionally held at the Essex House in Lancaster and features a distinguished guest speaker.

MAY

Military Sports Day, sponsored by the 95th Services Division, aims to enhance morale and to provide all of Team Edwards an opportunity to engage in sports and other physical activities. Squadrons compete in a number of events, including softball, volleyball, horseshoes, and track and field events. Contact your unit Sports Representative for more information.

JULY

Summer Bash, sponsored by the 95th Services Division, is an Air Force Materiel Command program celebrated at Edwards every July 4 at Wings field near Arnold Park. Activities include entertainment, free carnival rides, water slides, family games, bouncy castles, sports competitions and a fireworks display to celebrate Independence Day.

SEPTEMBER

Fall Festival, presented by the 95th Services Division, celebrates the autumn holidays with costumes, dance contests, live entertainment, games and free carnival rides. This festival is held in the Base Exchange side parking lot, and there is no admission fee.

Pancho Barnes Party, sponsored by the Company Grade Officer's Council, honors the memory of Pancho Barnes, record-setting aviator and local legend. The party is held at the ruins of her ranch, the "Happy Bottom Riding Club"—a desolate location made lively by efforts to bring barbecue and

live music together under a desert night sky. The event benefits the Flight Test Historical Foundation, which strives to preserve the history of flight test at Edwards. Traditionally, the party is scheduled for the second Saturday in September. However, the 2002 party will be September 21.

OCTOBER

Open House and Air Show, Oct. 26, 2002, is a basewide effort, to include NASA Dryden and other base associates, to present to the general public the men, women, technology and aircraft systems that comprise the aerospace frontier at Edwards. The Air Force Flight Test Center demonstrates its mission through static and aerial displays of nearly every aircraft in the Air Force inventory.

NOVEMBER

412 Test Wing Turkey Day. Held the Friday before Thanksgiving for Test Wing personnel to kickoff the holiday season.

DECEMBER

Edwards' base-wide holiday party, presented annually by the 95th Services Division and held at the Oasis Community Center, invites all of the Edwards community to celebrate the holiday season with entertainment, free food and beverages, pictures with Santa, crafts, and coloring contests.



The Edwards AFB Open House and Air Show

SPECIAL EVENTS

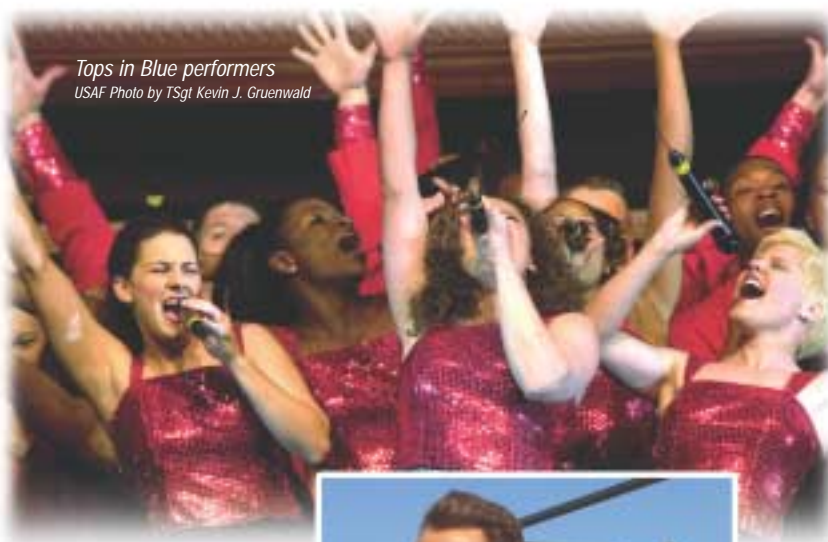
Tops in Blue, the Air Force's traveling variety show, dazzles the Edwards community with lively dance, song and humor with tones of nostalgia, patriotism and service.

Motion Picture Support

Edwards' proximity to the filmmakers and studios of Hollywood, make it a frequent choice of directors and production agencies for on-scene motion picture and music video filming. Edwards supports one or two major motion-picture events each year, which often result in free screenings for the base population.

Space Shuttle Landings

Edwards continues to be an alternate, emergency-landing site for space shuttle flights and, with its large dry lakebed, will be a contingency site on all orbital missions during the entire life of the space program. The decision to land at Edwards is made 90 minutes prior to estimated landing time.



Tops in Blue performers
USAF Photo by TSgt Kevin J. Gruenwald



Arnold Schwarzenegger visits Edwards for a photo shoot with Talk magazine.
USAF photo by SSgt Stacey McCausland, AFTC Public Affairs



The June landing of the Space Shuttle Endeavor at Edwards AFB.
2002 NASA Photo



Air Force Flight Test Center Museum

ATTRACTIONS

Air Force Flight Test Center Museum

405 S. Rosamond Blvd.
(661) 277-8050

The museum features exhibits, displays and videos depicting the history of Edwards and the Air Force Flight Test Center, including aircraft static displays, models, biographies and aviation paraphernalia. The museum also has a gift shop with T-shirts, aviation books and souvenirs. Hours of operation are Tuesday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Flight Line Tour

Public Affairs Office

1 S. Rosamond Blvd., (661) 277-3517

The normal base tour schedule and policies were changed after Sept. 11, 2001. When security conditions permit, the Public Affairs Office will resume tours of the flight line for the general public. A public announcement will be made when the program resumes. Normally, reservations should be made at least three weeks in advance. Group tours of the base and flight line will be arranged by calling for reservations at least a month in advance. Tours include an introductory presentation and orientation video. Tours begin at the Air Force Flight Test Center Museum.

NASA Dryden Tour

Visitor's Center

Lilly Drive, Bldg. 4825

(661) 276-3460/3446

NASA Dryden offers a 90-minute walking tour of its facilities, resources and aircraft. Call for further information and tour availability.

CHAPEL COMMUNITY AND RELIGIOUS ACTIVITIES

Chapel 1: 15 N. Popson Ave.,
(661) 277-2110

Chapel 2: 10 Park Dr.
(661) 277-2110

There are two base chapels: Chapel 1, located on the main base; and Chapel 2, located in the family housing area. The chapel staff maintains normal duty hours at Chapel 2; however, a duty chaplain is available on a 24-hour basis by calling the command post at (661) 277-3040. The chapel staff and volunteers host groups of men, women, youth and children in Bible study, religious initiation, instruction, social ministry, confirmation and service, as well as personal growth, parenting guidance and marriage enrichment. Protestant and Roman Catholic worship services are held regularly at both chapels. Jewish and Eastern Orthodox services are also held periodically.

CHILDCARE

Free Childcare for Newcomers

A maximum of 20 hours of free childcare, per child, is available to parents of all ranks who are making a permanent change of station move to or from Edwards through the Air Force Aid Society. The childcare is available within 60 days of arrival or departure and is provided by Family Child Care Program providers. Parents may apply for childcare by bringing a copy of their orders and a valid ID to the Family Support Center at 550 S. Bailey Ave. Call the Center at (661) 277-0723 or DSN 527-0723. Families who do not yet have orders should visit the Center to arrange confirmation of their PCS status.

DINING

◆ **Anthony's Pizza**

Base Exchange Food Court
240 W. Fitzgerald Blvd.
(661) 258-4034

Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Offers a variety of pizzas and pasta meals.

◆ **Base Operations Snack Bar**

235 S. Flightline Rd.
(661) 258-5696

Monday through Friday, 6:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Offers grill and sandwich items for breakfast and lunch.

◆ **Baskin Robbins**

Base Exchange Food Court
240 Fitzgerald Blvd.
(661) 258-1452

Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Offers ice cream desserts and special-occasion ice cream cakes.

◆ **Burger King**

240 W. Fitzgerald Blvd.
(661) 258-5987

Monday through Friday, 6 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Offers breakfast, lunch and dinner fast-food items.

◆ **Cactus Café**

Corner of Wolfe Avenue & Fitzgerald Boulevard
(661) 275-CAFE

Monday through Friday, 6:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Offers a breakfast menu and daily lunch specials, grill items, and sandwiches.

◆ **Club Muroc**

Corner of Wolfe Avenue & Fitzgerald Boulevard
(661) 275-CLUB

Lunch: Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Dinner: Monday through Thursday, 5:30 to 8 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 5:30 to 9 p.m.

Renovated in early 2000, Club Muroc is a consolidated club with an officers' lounge and an enlisted lounge, Pancho's and Fogleman's respectively, a dining room, main ballroom and poolside lanais. Banquet and catering

services are available and reservations can be made by calling or visiting the catering office. Social hour is offered at the club on Wednesday and Friday evenings. Membership information is available. A check-cashing service is also available to club members Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

facility provides full food service to all military personnel and authorized guests as determined by the installation commander. Enlisted personnel and officers receiving Basic Allowance for Subsistence (BAS) will be assessed the proportional surcharge, based on the subtotal of entrees selected. Low calorie/healthy choice entrees are offered during all meal periods.

Preferred Plus! Program

Preferred Plus! Members receive a 10 percent discount on various services, programs and goods—from lunch at Club Muroc to framing at the Skills Development Center. Special Preferred Plus! events are also scheduled occasionally and are free to members. If you were a club member at your previous base, you'll need to transfer your membership to the Edwards program by calling (661) 275-7587, or stop by at the 95th Services Division offices at 36 N. Wolfe Ave. Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.



◆ **Joshua Tree Inn Dining Facility**

130 W. Popson Ave.
(661) 275-3663

Breakfast: Monday through Friday, 5:30 to 7:45 a.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 6 to 9 a.m.

Lunch: Monday through Friday, 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Dinner: Monday through Friday, 4 to 7 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 4 to 7 p.m.

Midnight meal: Monday through Sunday, 11 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Inflight Kitchen: 24 hours daily (661) 275-3776.

Family Nights: Each Wednesday and Sunday, from 4 to 7 p.m., family members of enlisted personnel in the pay grade of E-1 through E-4 are exempt from paying the proportional surcharge.

The Joshua Tree Inn enlisted dining

◆ **Mary's Place**

300 E. Yeager Blvd.
(661) 258-5215

Monday through Friday, 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Offers a breakfast menu and daily lunch specials, grill items and sandwiches.

◆ **NASA Dryden Cafeteria**

Lilly Drive, Bldg. 4825
(661) 276-3270

Monday through Friday, 6:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Offers breakfast and lunch menus, hot entrees, grill items and sandwiches. Located adjacent to the NASA Dryden Visitor's Center.

◆ **Oasis Pizza & Deli**

Oasis Community Center
205 W. Popson Ave.,
(661) 277-5054

Lunch: Monday through

Friday, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Dinner: Monday through Thursday, 4 to 9 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, 4 to 10 p.m.; Sunday, 4 to 8 p.m.

Offers deli-style sandwiches, subs, rotisserie chicken, BBQ ribs and chicken strips

◆ **Pizza Hut**

1100 Kincheloe Ave.
(661) 258-4907

Opens at 10:30 a.m. and closes at 10 p.m. seven days a week.

◆ **Popeye's**

Base Exchange Food Court
240 Fitzgerald Blvd.
(661) 258-1078, Ext. 227

Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Offers fast-food chicken meals with an assortment of side dishes.

◆ **Robin Hood Sandwich Shoppe and Deli**

Base Exchange Food Court
240 W. Fitzgerald Blvd.
(661) 258-1078

Monday through Sunday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Offers a variety of submarine sandwiches and salads.

◆ **Rocket Room**

Air Force Research Lab
2 Pollux Dr.
(661) 275-5589

Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Offers breakfast and lunch menus, hot entrees, grill items and sandwiches.

◆ **Sandbagger Grill**

111 Crest Dr.
(661) 275-SAND

Monday through Thursday, 6:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.; Friday through Sunday, 6:30 to 3 p.m. Offers breakfast and lunch menus, hot entrees, grill items, sandwiches and salads. Located at the Muroc Lake Golf Course.

◆ **South Base Snack Bar**

Birk Flight Test Facility
South Base, (661) 275-0213

Monday through Friday, 6:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Offers a breakfast menu and daily lunch specials, grill items and sandwiches.

◆ **Strikezone Snack Bar**

High Desert Lanes Bowling Center
205 W. Fitzgerald Blvd.
(661) 275-ZONE

Sunday through Thursday, 10:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 11 p.m.; Saturday, noon to 11 p.m. Offers a breakfast menu and daily lunch specials, grill items and sandwiches.

◆ **Taco Bell Express**

Base Exchange Food Court
240 W. Fitzgerald Blvd.
(661) 258- 6739

Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Offers Mexican fast-food items.

◆ **Thai Garden**

240 W. Fitzgerald Blvd.
(661) 258-0186

Monday through Friday, 10:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Saturday, 11 a.m. to 9 a.m. Offers a variety of Thai food.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Human Resource Development Center

125 Methusa Ave.
(661) 277-6071

The Human Resource Development Center is the focal point for all education and training at Edwards for both military and civilian members. The HRD staff works with managers, supervisors, organizational training managers and individuals to optimize training and education opportunities. In addition, HRD provides program oversight for the Civilian Wellness Program and the Civilian Employee Assistance Program.

Education Office

125 Methusa Rd.
(661) 277-2713

The Education Office, a component of Human Resource Development, provides a variety of education programs offering a associate through master's degrees, education guidance counseling services, military tuition assistance, and the civilian Academic Degree and Certificate Training program.

◆ **Colleges:** Eight colleges have offices on base and offer classes and degree programs to the Edwards community. Graduate institutions include California State University Fresno, California State University Northridge, and Webster University. Bachelor's level institutions include Chapman University, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Southern Illinois University, and the University of Phoenix. Cerro Coso Community College offers associate degrees and courses that transfer to both California State University and the University of California. Disciplines offered include business administration, social science, history, applied math, computer science, psychology, criminal justice, computer information systems, professional aeronautics, aeronautical science, industrial technology, management, mechanical and electrical engineering, and human resource management. Call the Education Office at 277-2713 for a brochure with extended information on schools and degrees.

◆ **Professional Military Education:** Education Office staff arrange for military members and eligible civil service employees to attend the Air and Space Basic Course, Squadron Officer School, Air Command and Staff College and Air War College. Recruiting for on base seminars in the latter two schools is conducted annually starting in May. In addition, the office can assist with attendance at the NCO Academy and Senior NCO Academy as well.

Training Office:

125 Methusa Ave.
(661) 277-6073

The Training Office, also a component of Human Resource Development, provides services to enable Edwards military and civilian members to obtain needed engineering, scientific, technical, logistics, maintenance, managerial, supervisory, and administrative training. Training Office staff assist management in assessing needs, advocate for and assist in the creation of Individual Development Plans, determine optimum delivery methods, and conduct and/or administer training classes. Support functions include resource management, classroom scheduling, and administering the Education and Training Management System.

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LIBRARY AND CHILDREN'S LIBRARY

Main Library

5 W. Yeager Blvd., Bldg. 2665

(661) 275-2665

Monday through Thursday, 9:30 a.m.-7 p.m.; Friday, 9:30 a.m.-6 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Children's Library

1100 Kincheloe Ave., Bldg. 7210

(661) 275-7323

Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Friday 10-6 p.m.; Saturday and Sunday, 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The base library stocks an assortment of learning materials, including books, current periodicals, videotapes, cassettes and CD ROMs, which aid in the search for periodicals and newspapers. Computers are available to produce and support literature searches, and computers, typewriters and a copy machine are accessible to the public for personal use at the main library. Additionally, Internet access is provided for personal use. The library also offers inter-library loan services for books not available locally.



The Children's Library has books, electronic games and older periodicals available for checkout. Newer games are available, but may not be checked out of the library. The library has a children's story hour at 3 p.m. on Wednesday for older elementary students and a story hour at 10 a.m., Friday, for preschool age children. The Children's Library also has a summer reading program that runs from mid-June to late July for children of most ages. Call the library for exact times, dates and locations.

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NATURAL DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

Civil Engineer Readiness Division

(661) 277-4433

Earthquakes are the primary type of natural disaster most likely to occur at Edwards. Despite being located between the first- and third-largest fault lines in California, the San Andreas and the Garlock respectively, the base has no historical record of ever sustaining damage due to an earthquake. Occasionally during the spring's rainy season, the base may be subject to flash flooding. Both earthquakes and flash flooding give little or no warning and can compromise the well being of the community, the ability to operate, and even the structural integrity of homes and buildings. Strong winds are also common and have been known to cause damage locally.

The Edwards AFB Readiness Division suggests the following steps be taken to prepare for a major earthquake.

Develop a Family Plan

- Decide where your family can reunite if separated.
- Be familiar with the safe spots in each room so that you can seek protection under sturdy tables and desks or against walls. Avoid danger spots – such as near windows, mirrors, hanging objects and tall, unsecured furniture.
- Know where the gas, water and electricity turnoff sites are and how to shut them off.
- Secure water heaters and appliances.
- Maintain a three-day emergency food and water supply. Create a survival kit, including a flashlight, portable battery-operated radio, extra batteries, prescription medicine, first-aid supplies, clothing and sanitation needs. A small kit should also be placed in each vehicle.
- Keep current on first aid and CPR skills.

After the Earthquake

- Check yourself and those around you for injuries. Don't move seriously injured persons unless they are in immediate danger.
- Check utility leaks and broken electrical and sewage lines. Survey your house for cracks and signs of damage.
- Check water and food supplies. Remember emergency water can be found in water heaters, melted ice cubes, the toilet tank and canned vegetables.
- Use a portable radio for instructions and news reports.
- Do not drive your car unless necessary. Roads need to be clear for emergency vehicles.

The secret to success in surviving a natural disaster is the ability to plan. The Base Readiness Division conducts base earthquake briefings once a year; watch for times and locations in the base newspaper.

NEWS AND INFORMATION

Information

- ◆ **Straight Talk Center and Rumor Control**, available by calling (661) 277-3510, are managed by the Office of Public Affairs and provide the facts concerning rumors or incidents happening on base and within the Air Force.
- ◆ **Family Services**, located inside the Family Support Center at 550 S. Bailey Ave., offers a variety of information and literature concerning family matters, what to expect when moving to another base, transition assistance, and the job search upon separating from the service.
- ◆ **Oasis Community Center**, located at 205 Popson Ave., provides a full spectrum of brochures highlighting activities and attractions off base.
- ◆ **Marquees**, or electronic bulletin boards, are operated by the 95th Services Marketing Division and are located at the North, South and West gates, as well as on Fitzgerald Boulevard and Forbes Avenue. The five marquees collectively provide community announcements and information in routine or emergency situations. For details on how to submit information for posting on base marquees, call (661) 277-3802.

Media Referral

Public Affairs Office
1 S. Rosamond Blvd.
(661) 277-4127

Members of the media should be immediately referred to Public Affairs without comment in order to ensure media receive prompt assistance and that the base speaks with one voice.

Print

- ◆ **Air Force Flight Test Center Update**, a product of the Office of Public Affairs, 1 S. Rosamond Blvd., is a bi-monthly publication highlighting advances in flight test and aerospace programs as they progress and are achieved here. The Update serves a mission-minded, trade readership.
- ◆ **Desert Wings**, a product of the Public Affairs Office, serves as the Edwards community newspaper and is delivered throughout main base and the housing areas every Friday morning at no charge. Community members may suggest news leads and submit stories and items of interest through their unit public affairs representative, by contacting the Desert Wings staff via e-mail at afftc.pa.desertwings@edwards.af.mil, or by calling (661) 277-2345. The deadline for all submissions to the Desert wings is 4:30 p.m. the Friday before the desired publication date.
- ◆ **Dryden X-Press**, a product of NASA Dryden Flight Research Center, is a regular publication that serves to inform employees, media, the general public and retirees about the people and projects of Dryden.
- ◆ **Report to Stakeholders**, a product of Edwards Environmental Management, is a monthly publication designed to inform the general public of environmental clean-up actions being taken on base.

Radio

Reception varies widely on base and in the surrounding communities. These are some of the stations that can be heard on base.

FM

89.3	KPCC	Pasadena <i>National Public Radio</i>
93.5	KLKX	Palmdale <i>Classic Rock</i>
93.9	KZLA	Los Angeles <i>Country</i>
94.7	KTWV	Los Angeles <i>Smooth Jazz</i>
95.5	KLOS	Los Angeles <i>Rock</i>
97.7	KIIS	Lancaster <i>Contemporary hits</i>
98.7	KYSR	Los Angeles <i>Rock/Top40</i>
99.1	KGGI	San Bernardino <i>Urban Contemporary</i>
100.3	KKBT	Los Angeles <i>R & B/Hip-Hop</i>
103.1	KTPI	Palmdale <i>Country</i>
104.3	KBIG	Los Angeles <i>Adult Contemporary</i>
105.5	KOSS	Lancaster <i>Lite Rock</i>
106.3	KGMX	Palmdale <i>Adult Contemporary</i>

AM

610	KAVL	Lancaster <i>Sports</i>
640	KFI	Los Angeles <i>Talk radio</i>
710	KDIS	Los Angeles <i>Children's (Disney)</i>
960	KIXW	Apple Valley <i>Country</i>
980	FFWB	Los Angeles <i>News</i>
1150	KXTA	Los Angeles <i>Sports</i>
1340	KAVC	Lancaster <i>Talk</i>
1380	KHJJ	Palmdale <i>Talk radio</i>
1540	KMPC	Los Angeles <i>Sports</i>

Television

Adelphia Cable Palmdale, Calif. (661) 265-6637

Broadcast reception is very poor, but cable outlets offer all major Los Angeles television broadcast channels as well as major cable channels. The cable system serving the base is owned and operated by Adelphia Cable, located in Palmdale, and offers pay TV programming, including HBO, Cinemax, The Disney Channel and Showtime. Pay-per-view programming is also available. Adelphia newscasts on channel 3 air at 5, 7, 9 and 10:30 p.m. and are the only newscasts devoted solely to the Antelope Valley audience. A "Commander's Access Channel," Channel 6, is included in the cable TV basic package for base residents and provides 24-hour mission-related notices, community and duty briefs, as well as video programming including Air Force TV News and local historical videos. Instructional information is also provided in emergency situations. While informational slides are showing, Channel 6 also broadcasts Edwards Headline News and Air Force Radio News.



A KC-135R Stratotanker refuels an F-22 Raptor. The F-22's integrated avionics system gives it a first-look, first-shot, first-kill capability greatly enhancing the U.S. Air Force's air dominance capabilities. Cutting-edge technological engineering, like that developed for the F-22, continues to keep Edwards AFB at the forefront of aerospace innovation.

USAF Photo by Kevin Robertson

World Wide Web

- ◆ **Edwards Air Force Base public Website** is accessible to the general public via the Internet at www.edwards.af.mil.
- ◆ **Centernet** is an intranet accessible to only ".mil" and ".gov" users at centernet.edwards.af.mil.
- ◆ **Base Bulletin**, a product of the Information Technology Directorate, is accessible via Centernet and features daily Air Force Flight Test Center notices, duty and community briefs, as well as classifieds. The bulletin has limited availability in print.

Adelphia Cable Basic Cable Channel Line-up

02	CBS	KCBS Los Angeles
03	HAL/AV3	Hallmark Channel/Local Programming
04	NBC	KNBC Los Angeles
05	WB	KTLA Los Angeles
06	CAC	Commander's Access Channel
07	ABC	KABC Los Angeles
08	PBS	KCET Los Angeles
09	IND	KCAL Los Angeles
10	TWC	The Weather Channel/TV Guide
11	FOX	KTTV Los Angeles
12	AVBN	AV Buyers Network/Leased Access
13	UPN	KCOP Los Angeles
14	KHIZ	KHIZ Barstow
15	HSN	Home Shopping Network
16	PIN	PIN/KPAL
17	PBS	KLCS Los Angeles
18	IND	KSCI Long Beach
19	TBN	KTBN Santa Ana
20	TELE	KVEA Corona
21	UNIV	KMEX Los Angeles
22	IND	KWHY Los Angeles
23	IND	KJLA Los Angeles
24	IND	KRCA Riverside
25	KFTR	TELEFUTURA Ontario
26	PAXNET	KPXN San Bernardino
27	TBS	Turner Broadcasting System
28	HBO	HBO (Premium Channel)
29	HBOP	HBO Plus (Premium Channel)
30	HBOSG	HBO Signature (Premium Channel)
32	CRT	Court TV
33	IND	KXLA Los Angeles
34	IND	KAZA Los Angeles
35	GAC	Great American Country
36	CSPAN	House of Representatives
37	GA	Adelphia Government Access
38	IND	KDOC Los Angeles
55	AMC	American Movie Classics

The following are Expanded Basic Channels

39	TLCW	The Learning Channel
40	THCW	The History Channel
41	CNN	Cable News Network
42	FNC	Fox News Channel
43	DISC	Discovery
44	NGEO	National Geographic Channel
45	CNBC	Consumer/Business News
46	MSNBC	All News Network
47	ESPN2	24 Hour Sports
48	ESPN	24 Hour Sports
49	FSN	Fox Sport Net
50	FSN2	Fox Sport Net 2
51	TNN	The National Network
52	SCI-FI	Sci-Fi Channel
53	USAW	USA Network
54	TNT	Turner Network Television
56	HGTV	Home & Garden Television
57	A&E	Arts & Entertainment
58	LIFE	Lifetime Television
59	FOOD	Food Network
60	ANML	Animal Planet
61	ABCFAM	ABC Family Channel
62	DIS	Disney Channel
63	NICK	Nickelodeon
64	TOON	The Cartoon Network
65	MTV	Music Television
66	BET	Black Entertainment Television
67	VH1	Video Hits One
68	COM	Comedy Central
69	E!	Entertainment Television
70	GALA	Galavision
96	TRAVL	The Travel Channel
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PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS

Current points of contact for the following organizations may be obtained by calling (661) 277-3433.

◆ **Air Force Association** is an independent, nonprofit, civilian organization primarily concerned with public understanding and acceptance of the pivotal role played by a well-manned, well-equipped and well-trained Air Force.

◆ **Air Force Sergeants Association** reaches out to the base and surrounding communities to help those in need and to raise awareness of the sacrifices and concerns of those who wear or have worn the stripes of the enlisted corps.

◆ **American Society of Military Comptrollers** is a nonprofit, educational and professional organization for persons, including both military and civilian, involved in the overall field of military comptrollership, which encompasses the professions of Department of Defense financial management.

◆ **Blacks in Government** provides a knowledgeable employee support group for African-American civil servants and strives to identify and resolve problems impacting the African-American segment of the Edwards work force.

◆ **Blue Eagles Honor Guard and Drill Team**, an award-winning, all-volunteer unit, represents the Air Force Flight Test Center in the finest tradition of the Air Force through discipline, appearance and competence by participating in parades and other base and community events throughout Southern California.

◆ **Civil Air Patrol** is a national aviation-oriented, volunteer organization primarily focused on mission elements to promote aerospace education, facilitate cadet programs, and provide emergency services.

◆ **Company Grade Officer's Council** promotes professional development, encourages base and local community service, and establishes an environment to enhance social camaraderie among company grade officers.

◆ **Desert Wheels Motorcycle Club** promotes the sport of motocross and desert riding in a safe manner; provides information, materials and guidance on competitive motorcycle events and tours; and fosters social and recreational discourse for motocross and desert-riding enthusiasts. Those who ride off-road at Edwards must do so only in designated areas and only after first completing desert tortoise training. Those who wish to ride off-road should call Environmental Management at 277-1401 to arrange for training.

◆ **Edwards Chiefs Group** promotes morale, welfare, esprit-de-corps, productivity and increased mission effectiveness through the experience, guidance and network of Edwards' chiefs.

◆ **Edwards First Sergeants Association** promotes communication, cooperation and education through the mutual exchange of ideas and recommendations applicable to all Edwards first sergeants.

◆ **Edwards Officers' Wives' and Enlisted Wives' Clubs** foster a high degree of morale among their members and promote the ideals of the Air Force through welfare, charitable, social, educational and recreational activities.

◆ **Edwards Top Three Association** promotes unity and esprit-de-corps among the top three noncommissioned officer grades, fosters camaraderie and communication, and assists in the development of professional leadership and management abilities.

◆ **Federal Managers Association** is the foremost federal employee organization representing the interests of executives, managers and supervisors in the federal government.

◆ **Experimental Aircraft Association, Chapter 1000** promotes and encourages the sport and hobby of recreational aviation.

◆ **Flight Test Historical Foundation** fosters, perpetuates and preserves the history of flight test and aerospace development by supporting the Air Force Flight Test Center Museum.

◆ **High Desert Hispanic Association** supports the morale of all Hispanic members of Team Edwards and strives for higher education for all Hispanic people.

◆ **Korean Wives Club** unites Korean women for the purpose of friendship and cultural development at Edwards.

◆ **Muroc Model Masters** fosters the advancement of radio control and control line model aviation, offers assistance and guidance to those desiring to further their knowledge of model aircraft operation, and promotes model aviation at Edwards.

◆ **People of God** promotes spiritual and Christian growth and fellowship throughout the Edwards chapel and base community.

◆ **Society of Military Engineers** promotes the military engineer's efficiency and effectiveness in serving the U.S. Defense Department.

◆ **Sound Barrier Toastmasters Club** aids members in learning many techniques of public and impromptu speaking and speech delivery, and also the evaluation and judging of speech.

Fun in the Sun

RECREATION

◆ Aero Club

South Base, Bldg. 320

(661) 275-AERO

The Aero Club offers flight and ground instruction toward earning a private pilot's license, as well as aircraft rental to all members. The club has virtually exclusive use of the South Base runway for easy access to clear blue California skies. Since all club aircraft are registered with the Air Force, they are authorized to land at nearly all U.S. military bases and can be used for temporary duty travel. The club participates in fly-ins, proficiency competitions and a variety of other aviation-related activities.

◆ Skills Development Center Automotive

200 Methusa Rd.

(661) 275-AUTO

The Auto Hobby Shop offers equipment, tools, supplies and working space for self-help maintenance and repair to automobiles and other vehicles. More than 10 stalls are available for major and minor auto repairs well as all the standard equipment necessary for auto repair work.

Long pants are required in the work area and children are not permitted access for safety reasons. Services offered at the center include brake drum and rotor turning, computerized wheel balancing and air conditioning maintenance. California smog testing and repair is also available.

◆ Fam Camp

Coliseum Drive and Lathrop Street

(661) 275-CAMP

Fam Camp features 25 full hook-up slots for recreational vehicles, as well as shower and restroom facilities. Thirty-six over-flow slots without hook-ups are also available.

Payments for use of the camp are made at Fam Camp or Outdoor Recreation.

◆ High Desert Lanes Bowling Center

205 W. Fitzgerald Blvd.

(661) 275-BOWL

High Desert Lanes Bowling Center is a 20-lane facility equipped with AMF 82-90 pin spotters and Brunswick AS 80 automatic scoring. Bowling programs, such as glow bowling (glow in the dark bowling) and Colorama, are available for all ages, in addition to daily league competition and open bowling. Arrangements may also be made to host parties at the center. The Strikezone Snack Bar (275-ZONE) provides quick and convenient dining, and the pro shop offers balls, shoes and ball measuring and drilling, as well as special orders.

◆ Information, Tickets & Travel

1100 Kincheloe Ave.

(661) 275-TRIP

Information, Tickets & Travel provides discounted tickets for cultural attractions in addition to arranging dozens of tours each year in and around southern California. Tickets for popular Los Angeles and San Diego area attractions include Disneyland, Universal Studios, Knott's Berry Farm, Sea World and Six Flags Magic Mountain. Park guides are also available as well as staff assistance in planning itineraries for exploring scenic and historic sites abundant in the Antelope Valley. Information, Tickets & Travel is also a full service Travel Agency, offering airline tickets, hotels, cruise and vacation packages and group cruises and tours, at a discount, throughout the year.



Muroc Lake Golf Course

◆ Muroc Lake Golf Course

111 Crest Dr.

(661) 274-PUTT

Edwards Muroc Lake Golf Course offers a championship 185-acre, 18-hole, par-72 golf course. The facility includes a pro shop with the latest equipment, a driving range, and chipping, pitching and putting practice greens. Base intramural league matches, holiday and monthly tournaments, and an active men's golf association are available for interested players. The club is a member of the Southern California Golf Association, which provides handicapping service. A local handicap service is also available. The on-site Sandbagger Grill provides short-order breakfast and lunch.

◆ **N&N Travel**
20 W. Popson Ave.
(661) 277-3160

N&N Travel provides arrangements for official travel only. Members traveling on official orders, in TDY or PCS status, can arrange air, car and hotel reservations.

◆ **Oasis Aquatic Center**
207 W. Popson Ave.
(661) 275-SWIM

The Oasis pool, located in the Oasis Aerobic and Aquatic Center, is an indoor Olympic-sized pool open throughout the year to all Edwards personnel and their families, and is staffed by qualified lifeguards at all times. Admission is \$1 per person per visit. Free lap swimming is available to active duty members only. The center offers Red Cross life-guarding classes, water-safety instruction, swimming lessons for all levels, CPR and first aid, as well as water aerobics classes.

The base also has two outdoor pools open seasonally: the Club Muroc pool, located at 275 Manzanita Way, open Memorial Day through Labor Day; and the Youth Center pool, located at 24 Lathrop Dr., open Memorial Day through Labor Day. Summer passes are \$100 for families of up to four members.

◆ **Oasis Community Center**
205 W. Popson Ave.
(661) 275-CNTR

The Oasis Community Center features a variety of leisure-time activities and programs for the base community. The facility offers a game room with pool and ping-pong tables, foosball and video games; lounge areas and separate conference rooms that have the latest audio and video capabilities and computer access; and Stripes Lounge has a state-of-the-art music and video entertainment system. The center sponsors tournaments, talent shows and educational classes.

◆ **Outdoor Recreation**
1100 Kincheloe
(661) 275-CAMP

Outdoor Recreation offers a variety of information and outings for those looking for excitement outdoors.

Programming includes anything from ocean to mountain, from sea kayaking and white water rafting, to rock climbing and snow skiing. Custom trips such as backwoods nature hikes are also available.

◆ **Parks**

- **Arnold Park**, located at the end of Coliseum Drive, features playground equipment, covered picnic areas, a stage and restrooms. The park often hosts community gatherings in the spring and summer months and is available for rent through Outdoor Recreation.
- **Branch Memorial Park**, located near South Base off Lancaster Boulevard, also features picnic areas as well as Branch Pond. Branch Pond is open for fishing to individuals with valid base fishing licenses. The park is available for rental through Outdoor Recreation.

➔ **31 Riding Stables**

See "Stables" on page 31, Newcomers section.

◆ **Rod & Gun Activity**
210 Adams Way
(661) 275-TRAP

The Rod & Gun Activity, located adjacent to the small arms range south of Rosamond Boulevard, offers outdoor sporting fun including archery, trap, skeet, rifle, pistol, and paintball. Competitive shooting and social events are held regularly and the facility can be reserved for group functions such as paintball tournaments. Base hunting and fishing licenses can be purchased year round.



Youth Center pool

◆ **Skills Development Center**
Crafts

200 Methusa Rd.
(661) 275-ARTS

The Skills Development Center offers a wide variety of programs, assistance and equipment in ceramics, framing, woodworking, and other arts, crafts and hobbies for all interests and skill levels. Instructional books, kits and supplies are available as well as classes on cake decorating, cross-stitch, quilting, stained glass, flower arranging and toll painting. Custom services such as plaque and trophy engraving, T-shirt and cap designs are also available.

◆ **Stripes Lounge**
205 W. Popson Ave.
(661) 275-CLUB

Stripes Lounge, located within the Oasis Community Center, offers on-base airmen evening and late-night entertainment, dancing and socializing. The lounge is wired with a state-of-the-art audio and video entertainment system. Karaoke and dance contests are held occasionally.

SHOPPING & SERVICES

Air Force Flight Test Center Museum Gift Shop

→ 37 See "Air Force Flight Test Center Museum," page 37.

Alterations Shop

Lee's Tailoring and Design

Base Exchange, 240 W. Fitzgerald Blvd.

(661) 258-5522

Alterations for uniforms or civilian clothes are available and require about five working days to complete. Rush orders may be completed in three days. Uniforms must be clean, and new uniforms must be dry-cleaned before any adjustments.

Banking

◆ **Armed Forces Bank**
Base Exchange, 240 W.
Fitzgerald Blvd.
(661) 258-0183

Armed Forces Bank specializes in military banking and has served active duty, retirees and civilians since 1907. Customers can bank worldwide by phone, Internet, Mail and ATM. In addition, the bank has a 24-hour account-information line and a call center with representatives available 24 hours a day to assist customers. Services offered include free checking, classic checking, interest-bearing checking, savings accounts, loans and certificates of deposit.

◆ **Edwards Federal Credit Union**

10 South Muroc Dr.

(661) 277-9639

44288 N. 10th St. West, Lancaster, Calif.

(661) 945-6626/6500

The Edwards Federal Credit Union offers members a full range of financial services including share-draft accounts, systematic savings plans and lowest-rate loans for emergencies, automobiles, mobile homes, recreational vehicles and new household furniture and appliances. Membership is open to all active duty or retired military; civilian personnel employees at Edwards; contractors and employees of contractors; and non-appropriated funds employees who work regularly at Edwards and members of their immediate families; and organizations comprised entirely of individuals in any of these categories.

◆ **ATMs**

The Edwards Federal Credit Union provides ATM access to six major ATM networks: the Armed Forces Financial Network, The Exchange, Instant Teller, Star System, Visa and Plus. The credit union is also a member of the EXPLORE point-of-sale network. Three of eight credit union-owned ATMs are located on base at the Edwards main office, 10 South Muroc Dr.; at the Base Exchange, 240 Fitzgerald Blvd;

Commissary parking lot, 310 W. Fitzgerald Blvd; and in the Shoppette, 1100 Kincheloe Ave. Another ATM is available at the Main Lodging Office at 602 Honts, just off Manzanita Way.

Barbershops

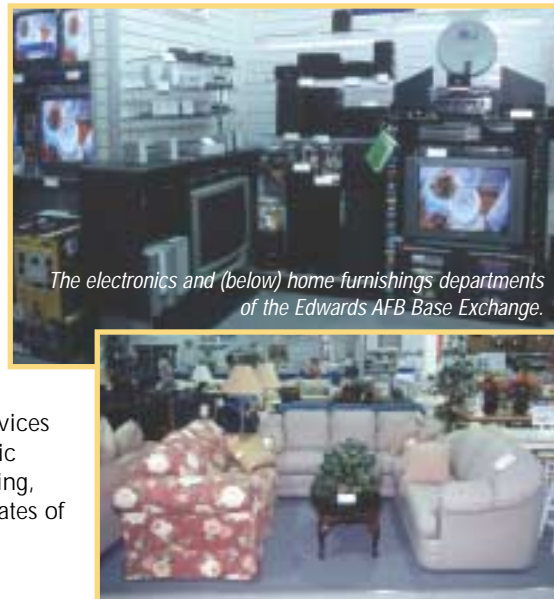
◆ **Troop Store**, 20 W. Popson Ave.

(661) 277-4297

◆ **Base Exchange**, 240 W. Fitzgerald Blvd.

(661) 277-2946

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service operates two barber shops.



The electronics and (below) home furnishings departments of the Edwards AFB Base Exchange.

Base Exchange

240 W. Fitzgerald Blvd.

(661) 258-4327

The 73,000-square-foot Base Exchange complex is conveniently located near the family housing area. Departments include clothing for men, women and children; cosmetics and toiletries; office and stationery supplies; shoes; luggage; jewelry; giftware; housewares; electronics; hardware; and appliances. The complex also hosts military clothing sales, the alterations shop, the Armed Forces Bank, a food court, beauty and barbershops, a same-day optical shop, a florist and a General Nutritional Center. For

food court information, see

→ 38 "Dining," pages 38-39.

Beauty Shop

Base Exchange, 240 W. Fitzgerald Blvd.

(661) 258-5371

The Beauty Shop offers men, women and children hair-cutting and styling services. A variety of hair care products are also available.

Carcare Center and Gas Station

Lancaster and Fitzgerald Boulevards

(661) 258-5091

The Car Care Center and Gas Station are centrally located between main base and the housing areas. The center offers retail and automotive services and gasoline service islands that operate 24 hours a day with use of credit cards. Cash and checks can also be used during manned operating hours.

Class Six

1100 Kincheloe Ave.

(661) 277-0709

Class Six offers a variety of alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages for sale. Alcoholic beverages will only be sold to those of legal drinking age.



Commissary produce area

Commissary

**312 W. Fitzgerald Blvd.
(661) 277-4589**

Located next to the Base Exchange, the Commissary offers all the conveniences of a mid-sized modern super-market. Hours vary Tuesday through Sunday and the commissary is closed Mondays and federal holidays.

Dry Cleaners

**Carousel Cleaners
1100 Kincheloe Ave.
(661) 258-4606**

Dry cleaning of uniform items and other clothing typically requires two days if items are submitted before 1 p.m. Rush service is offered for a minimal fee and orders are processed for next-day or two-day return depending on time submitted.

Flower Shop

**Base Exchange, 240 W. Fitzgerald Blvd.
(661) 258-5084**

The Flower Shop offers a variety of flower and balloon arrangements and bouquets, and delivery to almost anywhere in the United States.

GNC

**Base Exchange, 240- W. Fitzgerald Blvd.
(661) 258-1923**

GNC, or General Nutrition Center, features a large variety of dietary supplements.

Laundromat

1320 Payne Ave.

Coin-operated, large washers and dryers are available for use.



Optical Shop

Military Clothing Sales

**Base Exchange, 240 W. Fitzgerald Blvd.
(661) 277-8136**

Military Clothing Sales carries a full line of Air Force uniforms and miscellaneous items for Army and Marine service members.

Muroc Lake Golf Course Pro Shop

**111 Crest Dr.
(661) 275-PUTT**

The Muroc Lake Golf Club offers a well-stocked pro shop with the latest golf merchandise and sport clothing.

Optical Shop

**Base Exchange, 240 W. Fitzgerald Blvd.
(661) 258-4541**

The optical shop fills prescription glasses and contact lens orders and custom fits frames for existing lenses. Sunglasses and eyewear accessories are also available.

Pet Store

**Country Home Pets
1170 Kincheloe Ave.
(661) 258-0888**

8 a.m.–5 p.m., Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.–4 p.m. or by appointment
Country Home Pets offers pet supplies, pet-care

products, and grooming and boarding for dogs and cats. For more information, see "Pets" page 40.

**Shoppette**

**1100 Kincheloe Ave.
(661) 258-0709**

6 a.m.–12:30 p.m., Monday-Friday and 7 a.m.–12:30 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday

Located at the center of the family housing area, the Shoppette offers a movie-rental section and convenience shopping with extended hours.

Thrift Store

**1320 Payne Ave.
(661) 277-4294**

The volunteer operated and managed Thrift Store allows community members to purchase and cosign items such as clothing, housewares, furniture and electronics.

Troop Store

**20 W. Popson Ave.
(661) 258-4797**

Open 9 a.m.–6 p.m., Monday-Friday

Located within walking distance of base dormitories, the Troop Store offers a limited video rental section and convenience shopping for basic food items and toiletries.

SPORTS AND FITNESS

Fitness and Sports Center

**210 W. Popson Ave.
(661) 275-GYM1**

Family Fitness Center

**1100 Kincheloe Ave.
(661) 275-GYM2**

The Fitness and Sports Center features the latest in equipment and facilities for one-stop training including free weights and cardio and Hammer Strength equipment, as well as personal trainers. The facility features saunas in the men's and women's locker rooms, three racquetball courts, an outside track, and jogging and biking trails, as well as a number of mountain bikes for check-out at no cost. The service counter provides racquet restringing and a towel service. Massage therapy is also available for a fee by appointment only.

The Family Fitness Center, centrally located in the housing area, offers life cycles, treadmills, free weights and Cybex equipment for convenient workouts.

Intramural Sports

The Fitness and Sports Center oversees the intramural sports program at Edwards. Intramural sports include flag football, golf, softball, volleyball, racquetball, basketball and soccer.

Health and Wellness Center

**210 W. Popson Ave.
(661) 275-HAWC**

The Health and Wellness Center offers numerous programs aimed at preventative health and wellness. Through programs such as cholesterol screenings, skin cancer screenings, nutritional and behavioral impact education, stress reduction workshops, smoking cessation seminars, mammograms, and prostate/testicular exams, the HAWC promotes individual and organizational vitality, health, well-being, competence and professional growth and development.

SONIC BOOMS

A distinguishing characteristic of Edwards are the large "booms" first heard here in 1947. Those booms are known as sonic booms. A sonic boom sounds similar to thunder and is caused by an object moving faster than sound; about 750 mph at sea level. An aircraft traveling through the atmosphere continuously produces air pressure waves similar to the water waves produced by a ship's bow. When an aircraft exceeds the speed of sound, these pressure waves combine and form shock waves, which travel forward from the generation or "release" point.

As an aircraft flies at supersonic speeds, it is continually generating shock waves, dropping sonic boom along its flight path, similar to someone dropping objects from a moving vehicle. The sound heard on the ground as a sonic boom is the sudden onset and release of pressure after the build-up by the shock wave or "peak overpressure." Duration of a sonic boom is brief and is less than a second—100 milliseconds—for most fighter-sized aircraft.





The thunderous sonic booms heard on Edwards AFB are generated by aircraft like the F-22 Raptor, above.

USAF Photo

THEATER

**Corner of Yeager Boulevard and South Muroc Drive
(661) 275-SHOW**

The newly renovated, 932-seat motion-picture theater provides Edwards' military personnel and their families mainstream movies slightly delayed from initial release at an affordable rate for the whole family. Afternoon matinees are not regularly scheduled but they usually begin at 2 p.m. Evening features start at 7 p.m. Check the movie schedule that is printed each week in the base newspaper, The Desert Wings, or call the theater to hear a pre-recorded movie schedule. The theater may also be used for large community gatherings and commander's calls.

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WEATHER

See page 33, Newcomers section.

YOUTH

Youth Activities Center

24 Lathrop Dr.

(661) 275-KIDS

The Youth Activities Center is the focal point for all youth activities at Edwards. A wide range of supervised and organized activities is available to youth ages 5 through 18. The center offers an array of youth, pre-teen and teen programs including dances, holiday and family events, picnics, and trips. Professional instruction is available through the center for ballet, tap, gymnastics and karate. The center relies on both youth and parents to take an active role in shaping programs.

School-age care is available for children ages 5 to 12 before and after school. The youth center provides transportation to and from the schools for this program.

Sports

Youth sports are facilitated through the Youth Activities Center and offer children a chance to compete and gain instruction and confidence in a number of sports including flag football, basketball, baseball, softball and soccer.

Teen Center

1320 Payne St.

(661) 275-TEEN

Open 3-6 p.m., Monday–Thursday; 3-11 p.m., Friday; and 6-11p.m. on Saturday. Center is closed on Sunday. The Teen Center is designed to give teens a place to go to after school and on the weekends. The center features pool tables, foosball tables, Internet access and video games. The center arranges programs such as paintball, glow bowling and alcohol awareness education.

Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts

Current points of contact for scouting organizations may be obtained by calling (661) 277-3433.

Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts troops on base promote character, social and skill development, citizenship training, sportsmanship, physical and mental fitness, and pride in a growing mind and body for boys and girls in first through twelfth grades.